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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Norman William MacLeod
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For: MANUFACTURE OF FOOTWEAR
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Lisa Robillard

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

PETITION TO CORRECT FILING DATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.10(c)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(c), Applicants hereby petition the United States Patent and Trademark office to accord the above-identified application a filing date as of the stamped date on the Express Mail label of the application. On the filing receipt for the above-identified application, a copy of which is enclosed, Applicants were accorded a filing date of August 21, 2000, whereas the stamped date on the Express Mail label reflects the correct filing date of June 20, 2000.

In support of this petition, Applicants set forth the following:

1. Applicants discovered the discrepancy on January 24, 2003, therefore, as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.10(c)(1), this petition is being filed promptly.
2. The number of the Express Mail label was placed on the patent application transmittal and the return receipt postcard submitted with the application. A copy of both the transmittal and return receipt postcard is enclosed herewith, as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.10(c)(2).

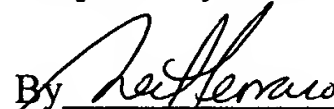
3. As required by 37 C.F.R. §1.10(c)(3), enclosed herewith is a true copy of the Express Mail label showing the stamped USPS date as June 20, 2000, rather than the accorded filing date of August 21, 2000.

In view of the fact that the application was deposited with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by Express Mail on June 20, 2000, Applicants are entitled to the June 20, 2000 filing date, and request that Applicants be accorded a filing date of June 20, 2000, and that a corrected Filing Receipt be issued.

After filing the application, Applicant submitted the Declaration and Statement claiming small entity status on August 18, 2000. The Returned USPTO Stamped Postcard for this submission records the USPTO receiving this information on August 21, 2000. Applicant believes that this helps to explain the clerical error.

Because the error appears to be on the part of the PTO, no fee is required. Nonetheless, should it be deemed that a fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees to our Deposit Account No. 23/2825. Should any questions arise concerning the foregoing, please contact the undersigned attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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